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## **RESPONSE**

Dear Sir:

This communication is in response to the Non-Final Office action in the above-identified application, mailed on August 30, 2006.

The three-month shortened statutory period for reply expired on November 30, 2006. Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136, applicant hereby requests a one (1)-month extension of time to respond to the non-final Office Action. The one (1)-month extension extends the deadline for response from November 30, 2006 to December 30, 2006. Since December 30, 2006 was on a weekend and the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office was closed for Federal holidays on January 1, 2007 and January 2, 2007, this response is timely submitted on January 3, 2007. A check in the amount of \$120.00 for the one (1)-month extension of time is enclosed herewith.

It is believed that no other fee is required in filing this Response. However, if any fee is required, please charge the appropriate fee to the Kagan Binder Deposit Account No. 50-1775 and notify us of the same.